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Salisbury University's Student Voice

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Jay Sean and Jason Derulo set to headline Gull Fest 2010

By Ryan White
Staff Writer

Salisbury University is welcoming the warm weather with its annual spring concert. SOAP is presenting Gull Fest 2010, which will feature artists Jay Sean and Jason Derulo on Sunday, April 25 in Maggs Physical Activities Center at 6 p.m.

American singer, songwriter, actor and dancer Jason Derulo's self-titled debut album features the songs "In My Head" and "Whatcha Say," which sold over two million digital downloads and reached number one on the Billboard Top 100 in the United States and other countries.

Jay Sean is a British singer-songwriter, rapper, beat boxer and record producer whose popularity has exploded since releasing his

debut single "Down," which also topped the Billboard 100.

"I aim to get artists that are fresh right now," said SOAP Concert Chair Brad Deise.

"I think it was a good selection, both are fairly new artists and I think it will definitely be a good time," said junior Sherri Zirimis. Junior Christie Stone agrees.

"I am super pumped for the concert. I'm so glad everyone pulled it together and we got a concert. Even though they aren't everyone's specific needs, they are very diverse and energetic and it's going to be a fun concert to just hang out and dance."

Other students seem to be disappointed, making the point to say that Derulo and Sean were not on the list of performers in a survey

taken months ago through campus e-mail. The survey listed artists like Third Eye Blind, Ben Harper and the Goo Goo Dolls. The survey also included a disclaimer, stating that the acts were not guaranteed to come, but that the survey is instead used to gauge genre interest.

"Is there even a point in sending out a survey with several great artists and having students vote if our school isn't able to book one of them?" asked junior Matt Hein.

"I've attended concerts in previous years, which were great, and I don't know that there will even be 50 percent of my friends attending this year's show."

However, the line for ticket sales wrapped around the main lobby of

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R. L. Pusey photo

Students wait in line on Monday, April 19 to buy their Gull Fest 2010 tickets. The line remained steady throughout the day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Patrick Hackley photo

Salisbury Mayor Jim Ireton, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Dane Foust, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach and Sammy the Sea Gull gather in Red Square for the sixth annual Big Event on April 17.

Big Event brings students and Salisbury community together

By Eric Arndt
Staff Writer

As Salisbury Mayor Jim Ireton put it: "If you want to know what America looks like, it's right here in Red Square."

On Saturday, April 17, Red Square served as the meeting grounds for over 550 volunteers from an array of student organizations that participated in the sixth annual Big Event. The Big Event is

a community clean-up day sponsored by the SGA.

Julia Glanz, SGA vice president of external affairs and one of the coordinators of this year's event, said the Big Event was derived from Texas A&M University. Former SU SGA members participated in the Conference on Student Government Associations at Texas A&M over five years ago where they heard about the university's community cleaning project

called the Big Event. The COSGA conference served as an inspiration to SU's SGA, who then implemented a community service project at SU also deemed the Big Event.

"The event itself has grown tremendously," Glanz said. "I believe we started with less than 100 people our first year. Last year we were amazed that over 500 students showed up and this year we

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SU maintains quality despite budget cuts

Tuition will increase by \$290 starting fall 2010 semester

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

While the State of Maryland is facing upwards of a \$1.5 billion tax deficit for the fiscal year of 2011, state-funded universities such as SU are doing their best to adjust to the recent budget cuts, which were approved by the University System of Maryland Board on Friday, April 16.

The budget process begins with each individual institution issuing a proposal of their own budgets to the USM. It is reviewed and revised by the USM, who submits an entire System Budget to Governor Martin O'Malley. He makes additional modifications and gives his own proposal to the General Assembly. The General Assembly can only cut, not add, to this budget and the Board is then left to deal with any cuts the System receives.

SU's Chief Budget Officer Alan Selser, who is responsible for preparing all internal and external documents for the University's operating and capital budget, said the University is doing its best to minimize effects on SU students, faculty and staff.

"[The budget cuts] will not negatively impact the University, how-

ever, it will prevent us from implementing some additional, positive impacts," he said. "We won't be changing anything we are currently doing now."

After a four-year tuition freeze, the largest change for students will be a tuition increase beginning in the fall 2010 semester. Tuition will increase 3 percent for in-state tuition, which will be \$290 per semester for both in-state and out-of-state students.

This is a minor but necessary change that will offer many benefits to the University.

"I think the [3 percent] tuition increase is a fair amount, considering what we will gain," said junior Alex Lynch. "If you think about it, the increase is like a half month's rent."

Student Regent for the USM Sarah Elfreth has been actively involved in the budget process.

As the sole Regent to vote against the schedule, she addressed her concerns with the USM Board along with a number of student leaders from across the state.

In an e-mail sent to a group, she noted that there were two main things she was disappointed with at University of Maryland College

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Submitted photo

Dr. Clifton Griffin

Clifton Griffin added to SU administration

By Katie Tyler
Staff Writer

While strolling through campus, it is easy to see that Salisbury University is changing. New buildings are being constructed, old buildings are being renovated and student housing is expanding. All of these things are being done to accommodate for the rapid growth of the campus community.

SU is also experiencing some change in administration with the addition of a new dean position. Dr. Clifton Griffin has recently been ap-

pointed Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, and he will assume this position July 1, 2010.

"Our graduate programs are beginning to increase in number," said Dr. Diane Allen, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs. "It has grown to the point where we really needed some oversight."

Griffin was one of more than 60 applicants who applied for the position. A search committee, comprised of 11 faculty members, narrowed the applications down to approximately 12 to 15 applicants. Skype video conferencing was then used in lieu of

standard telephone interviews.

"There were three main things that we were looking for in the candidates," said Dr. Robert Tardiff, a search committee member and associate provost for academic affairs. "First, we were looking for someone with the ability to take our graduate program to the next level, someone with the experience in leading graduate programs. We were also looking for someone to lead the research office and someone to help us look at how to better market our graduate program."

Three applicants were then

brought to SU, whereupon Griffin immediately fell in love with the campus.

"In short, I loved everything about Salisbury University," he said. "During my visit to campus, I came away with an overwhelming feeling of pride for the campus. It is easy to see that the faculty, administration and staff are very passionate and dedicated."

Griffin, currently the Director of Research and Graduate Studies at Texas A&M University at Qatar,

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Bikers join for ride in memory of local child

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

Motorcycle engines roared as hundreds of bikers invaded the roads in memory of Sarah Haley Foxwell, an 11-year-old Salisbury girl who was kidnapped and murdered last December, as part

of the first annual Sarah Foxwell Memorial Run.

Beginning their ride at Harley-Davidson dealerships in both Ocean City, Md. and Seaford, Del. on Saturday April 18, participants of the event joined together and made the trip to the Oasis Bar and Grill in Wha-

leyville, Md. Even though the Memorial Run was competing with the Pork in the Park Festival taking place the same weekend, the foundation's first fundraiser was an enormous success, raising thousands of dollars in Foxwell's memory.

"We've received a lot of sup-

port from individuals and businesses in the community," said Teri Darby, president and founder of the Sarah Foxwell Memorial Scholarship Foundation. "It's a really great feeling to see so many people come out and participate."

Upon Foxwell's abduction

from her home on Dec. 22, 2009, a massive air and ground search was initiated the following afternoon which began a three-day search with more than 3,000 volunteers showing up at the Shorebirds Stadium on Christmas morning. Due to the

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Briefly Stated

O'Malley Speaks at SU
Tuesday, April 20 at 7 p.m., join former congressman and SU educator Wayne Gilchrest for a talk by Governor Martin O'Malley in the Wicomico Room of the GUC. Governor O'Malley's presentation, "A Government that Works for a Smart, Green and Growing Future," will include a demonstration of BayStat, a tool that tracks and evaluates Maryland's effort to clean up the Chesapeake Bay.

Jazz Appreciation Event
GUC Events will be hosting a Jazz Appreciation event in Fire-side Lounge on Monday, April 26 from 7-9 p.m. There will be a performance from the SU Jazz Ensemble and free desserts and drinks. Come enjoy jazz-inspired music and good food while learning about the history of jazz.

Pereboom Screening and Book Signing
Dr. Maarten Pereboom, dean of Salisbury University's Fulton School of Liberal Arts, has recently authored a book, "History and Film: Moving Pictures and the Study of the Past." The Salisbury Film Society and SU will celebrate with a film screening, discussion and book signing at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28 in TETC 153 to celebrate.

SU Student Research Conference
More than 100 SU students from all majors will be presenting their independent scholarship at the ninth annual SU Student Research Conference from 12:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 23 in Henson Science Hall and the Guerrieri University Center.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month
Salisbury University's Campus Against Violence Program is hosting a plethora of events to recognize Sexual Assault Awareness from Monday-Thursday, April 19-22. Activities include the Clothesline Project, where students are invited to create t-shirts honoring those whose lives have been touched by sexual assault; Denim Day, where the community is encouraged to wear denim in protest of sexual assault; Take Back the Night, where sexual assault survivors are honored; and the Handprint Project, where men have the opportunity to pledge to not commit or condone sexual violence.

Relay for Life
Opening ceremonies for the American Cancer Society's signature fundraiser, Relay for Life, begin 6 p.m. Friday, April 30, at the SU Intramural Fields. Closing ceremonies are 6 a.m. Saturday, May 1. This year's theme is "Battle of the Bands." Cancer survivors from campus and the greater community are invited to participate in a survivors' lap and reception immediately following opening ceremonies.

Pre-Finals Party Will Benefit SU's AMA

SU marketing students invite the community to celebrate the end of the semester with a Pre-Finals Party from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., starting Thursday, April 29 at the Salisbury Elks Lodge. Admission is \$8 for singles and \$15 per couple, and includes soft drinks, appetizers and desserts. Music provided by a DJ; cash bar and door prizes are also available. Free shuttle service is provided following the event. Participants are encouraged to dress to impress in cocktail attire. Proceeds benefit the SU chapter of the American Marketing Association's upcoming trip and competition. Students from Paula Morris' promotions class are organizing the event. Tickets must be purchased in advance. For more information you can check us on Facebook at, AMA Party at the Elks Lodge or email Annemarie Staudle at as25657@students.salisbury.edu

The Monkey Barrel Benefit Event

There will be an event held in the memory of Justin McJilton on Tuesday, April 27 at The Monkey Barrel. McJilton was an SU student who passed away last semester after a prolonged battle with cancer. For more information, call The Monkey Barrel at 410-341-6700.

Senior Art Show participants gather for a photo



Award winning senior art students Christina Cooper, Emily Wright, Stephen McClay, Claire Brisendine, Theodore Lauer and Christy Jones pose with Dr. Jinchul Kim at the 42nd annual Senior Art Show on Friday, April 16 in the University Gallery of Fulton Hall.

Patrick Hackley photo

Cost of textbooks can hinder the role of instructors and students' learning experiences, SU profs say

By Eric Buratty
Life & Style Editor

Every semester, students spend thousands of dollars on textbooks at Salisbury University. While the majority of SU professors like and require textbooks, their varying approaches reveal why the cost of textbooks has to somehow decrease in order for them to remain sustainable.

"Lots of learning comes from outside of the class and outside of the textbook," said Dr. Arvi Arunachalam, finance professor. "I find that students learn more using real market data than solely from textbooks. They end up forgetting the textbook material at the end of the semester anyway."

While some feel reading course material is essential for supplementing lectures, the format that gives students the best learning experience depends on the subject and instructor's approach.

"Research and writing is the only course where I require a textbook," said Dr. Brent Skeeter, professor and chair of the geography department. "However, for my exams, I don't take anything from textbooks. My exams are based on my lectures and notes."

Other professors see regular books that could be classified as unconventional textbooks as beneficial supplements for traditional class texts.

"I use half textbooks and half non-traditional textbooks. The textbooks

I require actually supplement the non-traditional textbooks, which is probably the reverse of most faculty members," said Dr. Marc Street, management professor. "One of the side benefits of using non-traditional textbooks is lower combined costs."

The whole cost issue surrounding textbooks draws much attention toward the professors' freedom.

"There is a disconnect between the goals of the publisher and the goals of the instructor," said Dr. Bryan Horikami, communication arts professor. "While one of the publisher's goals is to make money, through small changes to new editions each year, the instructor's goals are to elaborate on textbook concepts by providing examples that students can relate to."

This "disconnect" that Horikami mentions ultimately hinders the role of the professor and the student's learning experience, according to Dr. Adam Wood, English literature professor.

"Another problem is the violation of professors' academic freedom through standardized textbooks by the government," he said. "This limits the possibilities of what students can learn and how the professor can construct their course."

The cost issue also raises awareness over future alternatives, according to SU professors.

"We're sort of in an odd transition period between an old culture of

nothing but printed books and the future of what students can potentially use online," Wood said.

This future has already begun with increased digital and electronic text resources.

"Disintermediation will become the norm due to e-publishing. The people who create textbooks and the consumers will be directly connected without the publisher," Arunachalam said. "As a professor, I'd prefer making the textbook available to students at a much more affordable price."

That is why www.chegg.com is a site I recommend for students. But I can definitely see some electronic version of textbook chapters available for \$1.99 each in the future."

Regardless of whether students and professors are ready, textbook changes are inevitable.

"For the future, I definitely see us moving away from traditional hard copy books onto more electronic and digital versions. This can be good or bad [depending on the generation of the student or professor]," Street said.

In the case that textbooks do not have the ability to facilitate quality teaching and learning, the format may have to sacrifice in order to save money overall.

"What we don't want is students walking away from a class complaining about how they didn't even need or use the text after paying the money," Skeeter said.

Sammy the Sea Gull pass out flyers and t-shirts to promote the concert.

Doors will open at 5 p.m. and the concert will begin at 6 p.m.

Tickets went on sale Monday, April 19 for \$2 at the GUC Information Desk and will continue to be sold until Saturday, April 24 or until sold out. All of the proceeds will go towards Relay for Life. Only current SU students are allowed to

attend, and can only buy one ticket each. Gull Cards must be presented at the time of purchase and before entering the concert.

"We are really excited about the concert and to have all the proceeds from concert sales go to Relay for Life," said SOAP comedy chair Katie Ryan. "It's going to be a good time for a good cause."

Crime Beat

3/24/10 - 4/3/10
12 p.m.

Suspicious Circumstances
A faculty member reported their concern for a student's behavior in response to failing grades. A copy of the report was sent to Student Affairs.

4/10/10
6:17 p.m.

Theft
A student reported the theft of their bookbag that was leaning against a fence near Pocomoke Hall. The case is under investigation.

4/10/10
3:15 a.m. - 3:40 a.m.

Assault
A student was involved in an altercation at an off-campus residence. A copy of the report was sent to Student Affairs.

4/12/10
1:17 p.m.

Check on the Welfare
A student was transported from Counseling Services to Peninsula Regional Medical Center for an emergency petition.

4/12/10
5:39 p.m.

Disruptive Behavior
A student reported being harassed by their roommate. A copy of the report has been sent to Student Affairs.

4/15/10
11:10 p.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
A student kicked over the cigarette ashtray in front of the parking garage. A suspect has been identified.

4/17/10
1:10 a.m.

Alcohol/Drug Violation
Officers responded to a report of possible drug activity in the vicinity of the parking garage. Upon arrival, officers issued two civil citations for underage possession of alcohol. A glass smoking device was also recovered in the area. A copy of the report was sent to Student Affairs.

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community's dedication to the search, Foxwell's body was found Christmas Day in a wooded area off of Melson Road, about a half mile south of the Maryland-Delaware line. Thomas Leggs Jr., a convicted and registered sex offender, was arrested in connection with her disappearance and held without bail.

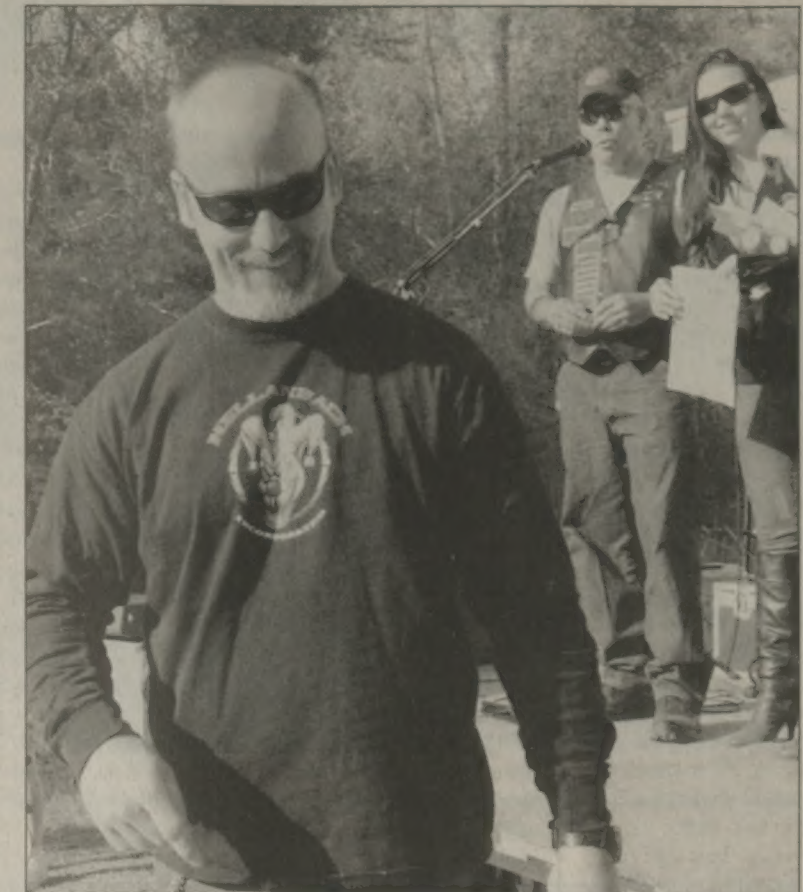
The event this past Saturday was attended by residents who traveled from different places on the Eastern Shore as well as from Maryland's neighboring states. Some motorcycle clubs in attendance were Brothers of Loyalty from Harrington, De. and Sons of Patriots from Virginia, plus many more. Participants were invited to partake in a variety of fun activities at Oasis Bar and Grill after the ride which included raffles, games, live entertainment and a silent auction.

"[I participated] because I like to ride and because this is going towards [a foundation] that supports a good cause," said biker Rick Banks. "Teri is a great person and has worked really hard to put everything together."

All proceeds from the event will go to the Wicomico County Child Advocacy Center and the Sarah Foxwell Memorial Scholarship Foundation. Those eligible for the scholarship are Wicomico County students with a major in social work, who hold at least a 3.0 GPA and show financial need.

"We will give as many scholarships as we can. It all depends on how much money we raise," Darby said. "We hope to open it up to more than just Wicomico County once it's become more established."

Other events sponsored by the foundation include a poker run, '80s party, sock hop and much more which will take place this fall.



R. L. Pusey photo

Chuck Bradford of Ocean Pines is all smiles after winning \$150 in the 50/50 raffle during the Sarah Foxwell Memorial Run on Saturday, April 17 at Oasis Bar in Grill.

SGA CORNER

Upcoming Events

This week, SGA will be hosting the annual Earth Day celebration. It takes place on Thursday, April 22. Clubs and organizations are invited to sign up for a booth showing a type of initiative that shows either appreciation for the Earth or one about sustainability projects the group has been working on. It is also a recognized event.

Next week, please keep an eye out for the Multicultural Showcase. It hosts a variety of different clubs, dance, and performance groups who will come together to perform. It will highlight the talent and diversity of the SU campus on Tuesday, April 27.

If you have any questions regarding these events, please feel free to stop by the SGA office or email SGA@salisbury.edu.

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Budget

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Park: a 17 percent tuition increase for students working towards their MBAs and a 90.8 percent jump in the technology fee.

"The Governor and the General Assembly did a fantastic job of tailoring back the state's Operating Budget to meet these tax deficits, however, Maryland also used Federal Stimulus Funds to help," she said. "Next year, Maryland will not have these stimulus funds and could possibly face a more devastating tax deficit. There is really no telling how this will affect higher education."

Furloughs, days given off without pay, will continue for the year to come and the University is working

with faculty and staff to minimize the effect of these furloughs. Open meetings, held by the University's Human Relations department, will provide a chance for faculty and staff to ask questions and receive feedback on the payment conditions.

"We all have to take our fair share of the burden during these difficult fiscal times," Elfrith said. "The important thing is that we remember just how essential higher education is to the betterment, both intellectually and economically, to the state of Maryland. If we can keep Marylanders and state legislators reminded of that fact as the fiscal difficulties continue to unfold, I believe we will be able to ride this recession out with limited effects on the quality of our institutions."

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Overheard: How can SU become a more sustainable campus?

Photos and article by Kelly Mundle and Adrienne Price

Check out Overheard videos on our blog at <http://suflyerblog.blogspot.com/>



"I think Salisbury University could come up with more resources so that students could be more conscious of ways to help the environment around campus."
- Suzanne Hogg, graduate student



"I think [SU] should get rid of the open basket napkin dispensers in the Commons and make them all the ones where you pull out the napkins to save paper."
- Gary Bagley, junior



"I think [SU] should have more double-sided printing available in all of the labs."
- Britney Uhlund, junior



"More sidewalks and passing stuff to accommodate pedestrians getting around instead of driving from wherever their apartments may be around Salisbury."
- Cody Tabor, freshman



"I think if [SU] encouraged more people to ride their bikes instead of driving to campus, it would help a lot."
- Stephen Waldron, freshman

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RETRACTION

In the April 13 issue of The Flyer, we incorrectly stated that the Maggs renovation would be happening before a library project. Plans for a new library/academic commons will be drawn out in 2015 or 2016 and built by 2017 or 2018. The Maggs project will occur a year after that project.

Death By Left Turn

Consumer Reports says "Don't Buy" Lexus GX460

By Mitch Jones
Staff Writer

For centuries, there's been no better way to exert dominance on the roadway than by owning a luxury vehicle. Whether it be the sporty BMW, adored by yuppies and Persian mafia everywhere, or the much-heralded Mercedes (which comes standard with a bad attitude), luxury cars have always been bought and driven for one reason—to intimidate motorists of slightly more modest means. But thanks to the new Lexus GX460, luxury cars have found a new way to intimidate motorists, through the threat of bodily harm that only a Toyota can offer.

After the headline-making Prius disaster, Toyota claimed to be step-

ping up its game. Through product recalls, production halts and a good long look in the proverbial mirror, the worldwide auto giant seemed to be taking proactive steps toward a world in which Toyotas would no longer be the laughing stock of the industry. But all that was before Consumer Reports magazine hit the Lexus GX460 SUV with the elusive "Don't Buy" status—something that hasn't been given out in nine years.

Citing dangerously bad handling during incidents of sudden braking, Consumer Reports said that the GX460 is prone to sliding out and flipping during even the most routine stops. While the GX comes up short on safety, it promises a speedy death that only Toyota can guarantee. At least drivers

won't need the full 100,000 mile warranty.

Adding another black mark on Toyota's previously impeccable track record, the crisis at Lexus has only further irritated an already gaping wound. Long heralded for safety, quality and reliability, the recent collection of disasters within the company surely threaten to take the automotive giant off-road, permanently. While the GX accounts for an almost irrelevant percentage of Lexus sales, the epic failure of the vehicle is more assurance that on the list of the most dangerous activities in the world, driving a Toyota is in the top three—right between BASE jumping and Russian roulette.

The crisis at Lexus is the final nail in Toyota's cooperative coffin.

With the Prius exiled to the land of misfit cars, and Lexus drivers terrified to turn left, the likelihood of Toyota rebounding from their recent string of misfortune is slimmer than surviving a ride in one. So what's next for Toyota? Surely, making motorcycles is out of the question. Perhaps the automaker can pursue the legalization of assisted suicides, thereby creating a use for the thousands of vehicles collecting dust on showroom floors. Or maybe the company should simply close shop, and retire to the same island that shelters John DeLorean and the inventor of the Pinto. Either way, Toyota as we know it is headed at full speed towards its death. And like the once-beloved Prius, there's no way to stop the crash.

Big Event more hype than service

Annual University event is a publicity stunt

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Hordes of Salisbury University students swarmed throughout Salisbury last Saturday, not to wander in the throes of drunken revelry, as might be typical of most weekends, but instead to work in the yards and homes of the city's residents in an annual occasion known as the Big Event.

The idea behind the Big Event is that it is a way to patch up the sometimes acrimonious relationship between the University and the people who are forced to endure the discord that several thousand students bring to the city. As such, having students clean yards is a wonderful opportunity to attempt to change the negative image that the residents of Salisbury have of the students, but calling work done during the Big Event "community service" misrepresents what it is.

Viewed cynically, it could be said that the Big Event is merely a very large publicity stunt. Such a statement might seem to be harsh, but considering the fact that mending the fractious relationship between the community and University is one of the reasons given for the event, it seems to have some level of truth to it. While working in our neighbors' yards is a nice thing to do

and helps a lot of people out, community service, in itself, involves more than just volunteering the manual labor wanted for weeding gardens and mowing lawns.

Real community service entails tending to the needs of the community, especially those members of the community who are neglected and have been forgotten by the rest of society. Feeding the homeless in soup kitchens, collecting materials to give to shelters for the victims of domestic abuse, visiting the elderly in assisted living communities, all of these would affect more of a positive change in Salisbury than raking leaves does; though raking leaves seems to garner more attention for some reason.

If Salisbury University students really want to show that they can help change the city for the better, there are ways that they can do so. There are ways for them to help others. There are volunteer opportunities for students that are promoted and organized by the University, though they unfortunately don't have the advantage of having the spectacle of the Big Event. Students should seek them out, though they should be warned that they probably won't see themselves in a newspaper for doing them.

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The job that I am currently working at used to be the best job in the world. My coworkers and I used to all get along great and even go out together. Now, it seems as though there is a lot of drama going on between some of my coworkers, and not only is it affecting relationships but it is affecting our workplace. How can I get my coworkers to keep the drama out of the office so it can stop affecting the way I work and they way our office is run?

Confront your workers politely and include everyone so it does not seem as though you are talking about a coworker behind his or her back. Point out how the drama is ruining the workplace and that it needs to stop. Be careful with your word choice and the way you confront your fellow workers because you do not want to create even more problems. If the situation does not stop, you should consider discussing things with your advisor or boss. If you keep waiting, it's likely the problem will continue. Personal relationships should not be interfering with the workplace, and everyone should remember to be professional with each other while at the office.

Foreigner frustrations lessening America's "melting pot" image in OC

By Mitch Jones
Staff Writer

Each year, the advent of summer brings a welcome change of pace to the quiet beach towns of the Eastern Shore. Especially in the popular resort town of Ocean City, summer carries with it the promise of warm weather, an invigorated economy, and an overall air of relaxation that only summer can provide. But more recently, summer brings with it something a bit more exotic—an overwhelming influx of Eastern European workers and travelers.

Armed with neon T-Shirts and a can-do attitude, these European imports account for a significant percentage of Ocean City's summer workforce, and

have subsequently engrained themselves as part of the small resort's summer culture. But has Ocean City become a cultural melting pot, or has it simply been overrun by a population of foreigners who do more harm to the town's image than good?

The frustrations surrounding the overabundance of foreign workers most commonly involve the language barrier, and the communication concerns that arise from it. Especially in America, where even the wrong skin color is considered un-American, the presence of a foreign tongue can be hard to swallow, especially for those in a hurry. Oftentimes slowed down by a foreign worker taking his/her time to dissect a new language, the delay

caused by the language barrier can test the sanity of even the most culturally diverse tourist. In a nation of fast cars and fast food, who can afford a 45 second wait?

While the inconvenience caused by foreign workers is understood, the frustration with the presence of different cultures showcases why many nations around the world flaunt hate America. Once heralded as the cultural melting pot, the America of today more accurately resembles a high school lunch tray, complete with segregating dividers, to avoid mixing sides with the main dish. America is no longer defined by a welcoming acceptance, but an ethnocentric exclusivity, shunning all things foreign, and wel-

coming only what remains consistent with the stereotypical definition of what it means to be American.

Contrary to majority opinion, foreign workers are not destroying American culture any more than MTV or 12 passenger SUVs. Through their presence, perhaps Americans will undergo a cultural transformation, and embrace the diversity that helped define our nation so early on. A mix of the best of cultures from around the world, immigration and cultural diversity has helped to shape our cultural identity since the first boat landed at Plymouth Rock. It's high time Americans stopped treating immigration like invasion, and embraced the spirit of the Founding Fathers.

D.C. Nuclear Security Summit a step in the right direction

By Robert Forrester
Staff Writer

Early last week, President Barack Obama invited world leaders from nearly 50 countries to Washington, D.C., for a Nuclear Security Summit. Countries in attendance included (of course) the Ukraine, which readily agreed to give up its Soviet-era stockpile, and Russia, which agreed to shut down its last reactor producing military-grade plutonium.

The goal of the summit was more than to disarm relics of the Cold War. The overall goal was to come to agreements on securing or disposing of vulnerable nuclear ma-

terials. The leaders of the summit all agreed to increase funding to the International Atomic Energy Agency, the UN's underfunded nuclear watchdog group. They also agreed to give up weapons-grade materials. A combined 34 tons from all countries will be disposed of, as well as funding made available to countries willing to dispose of their own enriched equipment. Just prior to the summit, Russia and the United States signed a separate deal to dispose of 68 tons of weapons-grade plutonium.

Perhaps more conspicuous by their absence, Iran, North Korea, and Israel, all internationally-ostracized nuclear states, were not in-

cluded at the summit. Much of the conversation involved discussing further economic sanctions against Iran. While this summit was going on in Washington, a shadow summit was held in Tehran, where Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called the United States an "atomic criminal" for its use of such weapons in World War II.

This summit is precisely what Obama won his Nobel Prize for. While of debatable propriety to give for actions not yet undertaken, it has functioned like a reputational Sword of Damocles; an unearned honor hanging over his head, ready to destroy his legacy in the event he fails to live up to it. This summit

was a promising step in the fulfillment of that honor.

This step is but the first step, however. A second meeting has been scheduled for 2012 in Seoul, South Korea. And before success can be claimed for this summit, the promises made in Washington must be fulfilled. But this meeting has potential. Few countries would be willing to give up their arms altogether, but small victories are victories none the less. In the event that Obama can convince the countries of the world, including ours, to reduce their stockpiles, then perhaps he can begin the world on its path to safety from the specter of nuclear holocaust.

Facebook information not so private

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

German Consumer Protection Minister Ilse Aigner has strongly criticized Facebook's handling of personal data, saying that "private information must remain private." Policy changes at Facebook could allow personal data to be passed on to third parties for commercial purposes without requiring the users to actively give their consent. The only way a user can choose to not have their information shared is to cancel their Facebook account. Minister Aigner says she will even go as far as cancel

her account if these changes are not made.

Facebook does send messages to users' inboxes, and the information is on Facebook's blog. Maybe it's just my generation growing up with MySpace and Facebook and Twitter, but I know that any information I put on the Internet (including social networking sites) is no longer private because people can and will access it. If you want a picture, a blog, or a status to remain for your eyes only, then don't post it. It's that simple.

I am not sure if I like that Facebook can pass personal information to third parties, but I wouldn't delete

my Facebook. I just won't post something that I think can come back and bite me in the butt later.

I truly think it's a generational issue here. Minister Aigner is part of the older generation of Facebook users who grew up without Internet and kept private lives. For most of the older Facebook users, they create an account to catch up with old pals from high school or college or play one of hundreds of games like Farmville, Bingo, Uno or Yahtzee. I can see how they would be slightly unnerved to have their information shared like it's a pack of gum. Our generation, however, is more laidback.

We grew up with the Internet. It might bother us — especially graduating college students — because employers can Facebook creep and see their account. Usually, if college students are worried, they either alter their accounts by deleting or untagging pictures or just delete their account entirely.

If Minister Aigner deletes her Facebook, that's fine. Life will go on, and Facebook will still exist. We can only hope Facebook chooses to instead ask for our consent, but if not — it's still going to be on the Internet. If you don't want it to be seen, then don't post it.

Letters to the Editor

Maryland keeps higher ed a priority

Dear Friends,

In 2006, when Lt. Governor Brown and I began our campaign, one of the first things we did was commit to making college more affordable for Maryland students and families. Since then, with the help of the Maryland General Assembly and the Board of Regents, Maryland has frozen in-state college tuition for four years in a row at our public colleges and universities.

We have been successful in making college more affordable for our students.

Because of the tuition freeze, our public university system is no longer ranked among the most expensive in America, but is instead among the nation's

best values. Salisbury University is among the five Maryland public colleges and universities that made Kiplinger Magazine's 2010 "Best Values in Public Colleges" — a measure not only of price but of quality.

While students in other states like California face a 32 percent increase in college tuition and students in Georgia may face a 35 percent tuition hike, we've been able to avoid steep tuition increases — even during difficult economic times — because we have made higher education, job creation and economic development a top priority for our state.

Because we know that investments made in our students and university system today will help expand Maryland's economy to-

orrow, we worked with the General Assembly in 2007 to create the Higher Education Investment Fund, Maryland's first-ever dedicated revenue fund for higher education. To date, this fund has generated almost \$103 million for our university system, part of our overall investment of \$6.4 billion in operating support and over \$1.1 billion in capital funding for higher education since fiscal year 2008.

Even with the ongoing global recession, this year my proposed budget continues to provide significant state support for the university system of Maryland that will allow the Board of Regents to seek only a modest 3 percent increase in college tuition for in-state residents.

This was not a decision that I took lightly. I know many students and families are hurting. I know that families are fighting

to make ends meet — to put food on the table, to keep a roof over their heads, to find jobs, and to pay college tuition.

While not an easy decision, the 3 percent increase is both modest and responsible after a four-year tuition freeze. At a time when alternative budget proposals being discussed in Annapolis threaten to undermine the progress we have made making college more affordable and take us back to a time, advocated by some, of double-digit increases for in-state college tuition, my proposed budget protects funding for higher education and the gains we have made to make college more affordable.

During this legislative session, Lt. Governor Brown and I are working with the General Assembly to pass legislation that will build on the progress we're making in higher education, and

that will prevent our families from facing such unreasonable hikes in in-state tuition.

Our work is not yet done. Maryland's greatest asset is the talents, skills, creativity, ingenuity and education of our people — and that begins with you, our student body. Our State remains one of the most educated states in the nation, consistently ranking among the top for the number of residents with college and post-graduate degrees. And as long as we continue to make tough choices to make a college education accessible to more Marylanders rather than fewer, our future leaders will have the tools they need to build a better, stronger One Maryland for generations to come.

Martin O'Malley
Governor

Some students won't be rocking out at Gull Fest 2010

Submitted by Andrew Peterson

On Sunday, April 25, Salisbury University will be hosting the Spring Concert with two performers — Jay Sean and Jason Derulo. In my opinion, when I think of a spring concert, my image is an actual band. Both Jay Sean and Jason Derulo are solo acts. Between the two of them, I can almost guarantee that the student body will only know a few select songs. In addition, they will both have a DJ with them on stage, but how does that really enhance a concert experience?

Personally, I have attended over twenty concerts, all of which were of different genres. From that experience, I believe that rock/pop concerts are a lot more enjoyable than a performer singing with a DJ. Since the con-

cert is going to be located in Maggs, the amount of student participation will be limited. This could be good for the school because I feel a lot of students may not be attending the concert.

Earlier in the semester, SOAP sent out a survey through e-mail with band choices such as Third Eye Blind, Goo Goo Dolls and O.A.R. — all of which are very well-known bands. Last year, the student body and SOAP brought State Radio to the spring concert and created a very fun experience for the students. The band managed to put on an amazing show despite the fact that they were asked to leave the stage six songs early due to safety concerns.

SOAP tries to get the campus more involved with school activities, but how is booking two performers of the same exact style

going to entertain the diverse group of students around our campus? Everyone has their own taste in music and this year, if you don't enjoy R&B/pop, then you are out of luck.

I believe that even though both performers could put on a good show for some, it won't be the same case for the whole student body. So while some may be getting into what Jason Derulo is saying, I'm sure most people will be doing something a little more productive with their Sunday afternoon.

I'm sure some students will tough it out to hear them perform their hits, but will you really enjoy the hours of sub-par entertainment? I guess SU will find out on Sunday.

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Perdue faculty Tigani runs Boston Marathon

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

"Whatever I have left I have to leave it out here today," said Perdue School of Business faculty member Mike Tigani, chanting to himself as he descended toward the finish in his 14th Boston Marathon. Tigani, 43, whose MKTG 333 students enjoyed their day off of class, finished the 114th Boston Marathon on Monday, April 19 in a cool 3:05:15.

According to the Boston Athletic Association Web site, a field of nearly 27,000 participants started the 26 miles, 385 yards point-to-point course on this historic day – Patriots Day – for America and the Marathon. Kenyan Robert K. Cheruiyot set a Boston course record, finishing in 2:05:52.

"It was a fast day," Tigani said, satisfied with his overall performance even though he didn't feel spectacular.

He said his calf started to cramp after mile 13, but he felt

comfortable again before the set of hills leading to the infamous 'Heartbreak Hill.' Boston is well known for its hills.

"It's not Heartbreak Hill that gets you," Tigani said, adding, "it's the three hills leading up to it."

He says one of his favorite parts of the course, which starts in the suburb Hopkinton, is Wellesley College near the 20 kilometer mark. The all girls' school, he says, seems small but they make a lot of noise.

The crowds lining the road – six rows deep at times – are part of what makes Boston a one-of-a-kind marathon.

"Whenever you feel down," says Tigani, "you can just look at the crowd."

He said the stretch after Wellesley is one of the few silent spots en route to the finish in downtown Boston.

A former distance runner at the University of Delaware, Tigani says he starts thinking about his next Boston right after he finishes that year's race. He wants to com-

plete his 25th Boston on the 125th running of the event.

"It's a lot of fun and I look forward to the next one," Tigani said. In the running world, the Boston Marathon is the Holy Grail of races.

"It's equivalent to playing in the Masters or the World Series," Tigani said.

Preparation and training are critical to qualify and complete a race like Boston, which has strict qualification standards (3:10 for men, and 3:40 for women ages 18 to 34 for example).

Tigani says he eases back from long, strenuous runs, relaxes and increases his eating and hydration in the days before the event. Post-race he says likes to indulge in fast-food – because it tastes good – or something with some meat in it.

This year, he said, "I had a burrito and a Samuel Adams – it is Boston."

The New England endurance event is one which creates memories and nostalgia for those who



Michael Piorunski photo

Mike Tigani, Perdue School of Business, with daughter Caitlin, 5, show off a race bib from the 2000 Boston Marathon.

have participated.

A memory from this year's race that stands out for Tigani came at mile five when a spectator thanked him for participating in the race, shutting down the city, and allowing his to miss work and drink beer all day.

And although he has always

passed up the opportunity, Tigani says one year, he too will drink beer during the Marathon. At Boston College, he says, spectators always offer runners a cool brew.

"There will be a year that I drink that beer; I will drink that beer," Tigani said.

New club will BRIDGE racial gap on campus

By Diana Dwyer
Staff Writer

A racially diverse group of students filled TETC 184 on Sunday night for an open forum discussion on racial issues of Salisbury University and the surrounding community. The group forms BRIDGE: Becoming a Rising Influence In Daring a Generation to Evolve.

Hazel Dennis, president of BRIDGE, said she met with about eight friends and discussed ways to improve and unite the campus community. Since winter break, Dennis has been working with BRIDGE's Vice President Mariama Kanu, Secretary Chanise Michaux and Treasurer Mercy Ochieng. The club's advisor is Dr. Kelli Randall of the English department.

"We thought that there were some underlying issues that divided the campus," Dennis said. "We saw that people of the same race, religion, ethnicity, and sexual orientation seemed to cling together, and we want to see everyone unite together as a campus."

A respectful and honest discussion on becoming friends with people of different races was emphasized.

"We want to get BRIDGE out in the open so people who go to the same school aren't so unfamiliar with people who really aren't so different from them," Michaux said.

Students compared and contrasted

their physical, cultural, spiritual, and geographic identities that they grew up with to their life at the University.

One BRIDGE member said he finds it important to "talk to people for what they are and not what they look like."

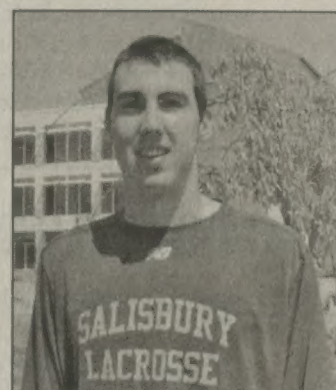
Dennis said that she plans to target existing registered student organizations to get all kinds of students involved in BRIDGE's mission of unity. Members knocked on doors in every residence hall and noted mixed reactions; some students expressed enthusiasm but others seemed disinterested.

"Overall, I think that people were more so interested than not interested because everyone I talked to said they can actually see the divide and they want to unite the school," Dennis said.

The first interest meeting was held two weeks ago and featured a discussion based on an episode of "The Tyra Show" in which students could ask each other questions and discuss their cultural identities.

The next meeting will be at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21 in TETC 184; it is not on Sunday because of the Spring Concert. The group made a documentary composed of interviews with students' reactions to diversity issues to be shown at the meeting.

"For the end of the year, our goal is for everyone to know who we are," Dennis said. "And for the fall come with a big bang and have a big, big buzz."



Adrienne Price photo
Adam Dickson

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Adam Dickson is enjoying his second semester at Salisbury in classes and on the lacrosse field. Dickson, a freshman, is from Ontario, Canada, and attended high school in the town of Burlington.

"I chose Salisbury University because of the excellent business program, as well as the great tradition of lacrosse here. Coach Berkman is so passionate about the program, and his enthusiasm rubbed off on me during my visit," Dickson said.

While Canada is primarily focused on ice hockey as its main sport, lacrosse is played

Far From Home: Adam Dickson

in the summer.

"It doesn't quite receive the media attention that hockey does, but there is a close-knit lacrosse community that avidly supports the game," Dickson said. Hockey players use lacrosse as a way to train in the off-season to help develop better hand-eye coordination and to stay in shape.

According to Dickson, college sports are more popular in the U.S.

"There is a lot of school pride involved, and the level of competition is fierce. While college sports in Canada are still followed regularly, it hasn't reached the same level of funding," Dickson said. "Hockey is still number one though, so lacrosse leagues try to do their best to schedule around the extensive hockey season. I grew up playing hockey year-round, but eventually I discovered lacrosse and got involved as much as I could."

Weather and climate have been the biggest differences for Dickson.

"The climate on the Eastern Shore is certainly different than what I am used to. However, contrary to popular opinion, Canada is not covered in snow year round," Dickson said.

Although lacrosse was a premier attraction, academics are also very important to Dickson.

"My first priority was choosing a school with strong academics. Once I found out about the great business school here, the lacrosse program made Salisbury an easy choice," Dickson said.

Dickson has not planned out what he will do after he graduates.

"I think I will go wherever I can find the best job. After playing in lacrosse tournaments around the U.S. and attending school here, I've seen that it is a very beautiful place to live, with great people all around. I would be very content if I was able to get a job that allowed me to stay in the U.S.," Dickson said.

Behind the cash register: Kim Atkinson

By Josh Madsen
Staff Writer

When buying a cup of coffee or Red Bull, make sure it is from Kim Atkinson and the helpful dining staff at TETC's satellite dining.

Atkinson, 42, currently works two jobs—one as a full time SU employee working at the TETC TC's satellite dining area and the other as a mother of four. While her work day officially begins at 7 a.m. as an SU employee, her unofficial workday as a mother begins at 5:30 a.m.

"I'm getting things ready for the kids for the day, making lunch, taking the cats and dogs out," Atkinson said. Atkinson has four boys, ages 11, 14, 18 and 23. "I get here by quarter of 7 and work until 3:30," Atkinson said.

Between her job and her kids, there is no doubt that Atkinson remains busy. While working early hours may seem like a chore to many, Atkinson does not mind it because of the extra time she gets to spend with her kids.

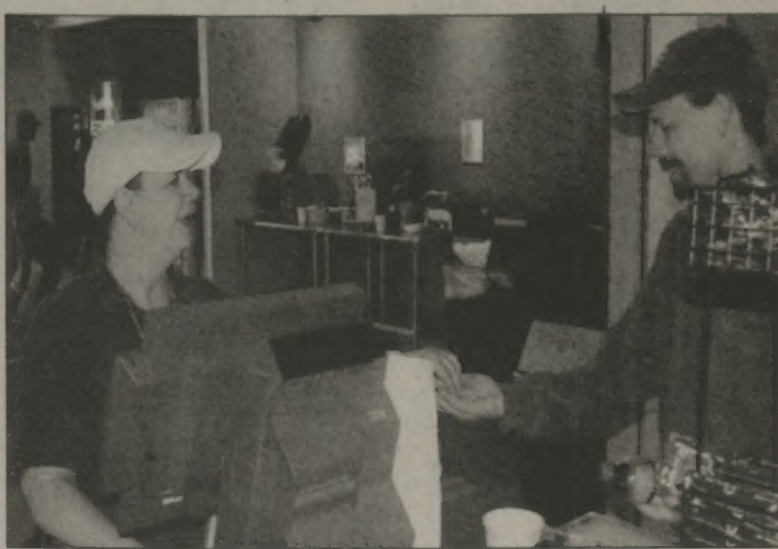
"I have a baseball player, one that runs track, a soccer player," Atkinson said. "I'm constantly keeping busy between work and the kids."

Atkinson doesn't have to work over the summer when students are off, so she spends the majority of the time with her kids. She is currently planning a family trip to Disney World.

"The best part of my job is the summertime off; I can spend time with the kids, we go to the beach, I can take them to all their sporting events," Atkinson said.

She is much appreciated by her coworkers, who consider Atkinson an important part of the dining staff. Toni Matthews has been a part of SU's dining staff for over 15 years and says Atkinson as a mother and SU employee.

"She is a great person to work with, and a great mother who loves her kids more than anything in the world," said Matthews, who has worked with Atkinson for nearly two years. "She is one of the best coworkers I've worked with; we joke with each other all the time, which makes it a fun place to be."



Adrienne Price photo

Kim Atkinson gives a customer her change during her shift at TC's, the satellite dining area in the first floor of TETC.

industry since the age of 15 and is overwhelmed by the kindness she receives here as compared to previous jobs she has worked at.

"It's not normal to find a place like this where everyone is cooperative," Atkinson said. "Everyone here is so nice."

Atkinson said she enjoys the small talk with the students and at times uses her motherly instinct to counsel them.

"I really appreciate the kindness our dining staff shows towards me and other students," said senior Dean Athans. "Every morning when I'm getting my coffee they brighten up my day with their friendly conversations and smiles."

So head over to satellite dining and buy a coffee, or start a friendly conversation with Kim Atkinson or the dining staff before or after a class in TETC.

Atkinson has worked in the food

clude organic farmers, Enza's Organic Hair Salon, and Vitamin Water.

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Sophanes set to perform "My Fatal Valentine" show

By Mandi Waldron
Staff Writer

Murder mysteries and suspenseful surprise endings are what Sophanes' next show is all about. Next weekend, SU's theatre and improv club will put on a show that includes both.

This murder mystery unfolds Thursday-Saturday, April 22-24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Nanticoke Room. A matinee show will also occur on Sunday, April 25 at 2 p.m.

The show is titled "My Fatal Valentine" and centers around an awards show in which things go haywire and someone ends up being murdered.

"The show is going to be very funny," said Director Carly Ball, a senior who is the vice president of Sophanes. "I would say it's rated about a PG-13. There's a lot of humorous things going on, but it doesn't go over the top."

Wyatt Unger, also a member of the group, praised Ball for her hard work.

"Carly Ball is a fantastic director, and she is working with a dream cast. Last year she directed the first act from 'You Can't Take It With You,' and I was very impressed with her vision. I expect the same kind of quality to come from 'My Fatal Valentine,'" Unger said.

"My Fatal Valentine" also gives other clubs on campus a chance to showcase their talents. Since the setting is an awards ceremony, there are parts of the play that lend themselves to incorporating other groups for entertainment.

The audience can expect some action from Trebleious, SU's a capella girls' group, and maybe the step team.

Tickets are free for students with their Gull Cards and \$12 for community members.

"If you don't watch 'My Fatal Valentine,' you literally shouldn't be allowed to procreate because you are medically stupid," Unger said.

Diane Rehm to speak at SU May 8

SALISBURY, MD — The host of one of the most popular shows on National Public Radio comes to Salisbury University on Saturday, May 8, as Public Radio Delmarva presents "An Evening with Diane Rehm."

The event was rescheduled from February due to snow.

Rehm speaks at 6:30 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium. A 5:30 p.m. private meet-and-greet session preceding her talk in the Social Room of

Holloway Hall is sold out. For 30 years, The Diane Rehm Show, heard 10 a.m. weekdays on Public Radio Delmarva's WSDL 90.7, has been a staple of NPR. Admission is \$35 per person. Proceeds benefit Public Radio Delmarva. Tickets purchased for Rehm's February event at SU will be honored. For more information call 410-543-6895 or visit the SU Web site at www.publicradiodelmarva.net.

SU promotes environmental initiatives during Green Week

By Katie Tyler
Staff Writer

Earth Day will celebrate its 40th anniversary this year. SU plans to participate with Green Week festivities during a weeklong celebration beginning Sunday, April 18 and lasting through Saturday, April 24.

Green Week will kick off with the week-long "Recycle 2010" exhibit, located in the Comma Gallery in the basement of The Commons building near the Bookstore. The exhibit is sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs and will feature recycled, sustainable works of art.

These works include recycled telephone-wire baskets from Africa, bowls pressed from vintage record albums and sand-cast beads made from glass bottles.

On Earth Day, SGA and the Environmental Students Association will team in Red Square from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to celebrate with various activities. The campus community is encouraged to check out information booths, raffles, the recycled water display, and an opportunity for a free bike tune up.

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clude organic farmers, Enza's Organic Hair Salon, and Vitamin Water.

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for the Advancement of Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System.

"There are a number of different ways a campus can be rated on its 'greenness,' Maloof said. "The STAR system is one of those ways. We were interested in finding out how our campus matched up."

Dr. Carstens' environmental communication class will also team up with Salisbury Green Space during this time to present information on sustainable topics of local interest including the Wicomico River and The Salisbury Zoo.

Some of the other Green Week events are an Earth Day bake sale in Henson from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, April 19, a planter making workshop in Red Square from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. in Red Square on Wednesday, April 21, a "Going Green" lunch in The Commons featuring vegan and vegetarian foods on Thursday, April 22 from 11-2:30, a butterfly garden raffle to be held at 10 a.m. at the Salisbury Zoo on Thursday, April 22 and an alternative energy workshop on Saturday, April 24 from 9-11:30 a.m. in Henson 103.

From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



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1. Performers take the stage to lip sync at Alpha Sigma Tau's Mock Rock event on April 14 in the Wicomico Room of the GUC.
2. Junior Marcus Randolph passes a shirt he created so junior Ashley Spencer can hang it up in Red Square for The Clothesline Project on April 19 as part of Stand Up Against Sexual Violence week.
3. During Awareness Week on April 15, Noelle Ford and Ang Pabich rap "Hurt Feelings" by Flight of the Conchords at BT GLASS's Break the Silence Open Mic Night on April 15.
4. Players get set to hurl the balls at their opponents in CAC's dodgeball game in Maggs on April 13.

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Student Spotlight

Kristian Gregory-Lee shows leadership through involvement

By: Theresa Fichter
Staff Writer

Kristian Gregory-Lee describes herself as "a mommy bear."

"I'm not judgmental and I always listen and give my best advice. I always like to make people feel welcome and comfortable," Gregory-Lee said.

The sophomore accounting major is a graduate of Frederick Douglass High School and grew up in Upper Marlboro, Md.

In the future, Gregory-Lee hopes to utilize her caring personality to open up a group center for young adults that focuses on self-confidence and self-image. As Speaker of the Senate for the SGA, Gregory-Lee is also involved in various activities here on campus and has great pride in school.

"I love it here. This isn't just Salisbury for me, this is my Salisbury family. It's not too big or too small, I feel close with everyone. You can actually have a one on one relationship with teachers," Gregory-Lee said.

Gregory-Lee has now been in the SGA for a full year and has even been re-elected as speaker of the senate for the upcoming year. "I like being involved the SGA. We actually make a change in both our community and here at SU; we help the public and students," Gregory-Lee said.

Director of Multicultural Student Services Vaughn White has known Gregory-Lee since her freshman year and describes her as the perfect candidate for her position.

"Kristian is an energetic, committed and fun loving student. She takes her leadership responsibilities very seriously as the Speaker of the [Senate] for the Student Government Association. She expressed to me in the past that she



Leslie Davis photo
Kristian Gregory-Lee

enjoyed working with the senators and students new to the SGA process," White said.

In addition to the SGA, Gregory-Lee is also a part of SU's Passion 4 Fashion club, Safetide, African Student Association, Playing Card Club and Multicultural Student Services.

Gregory-Lee is greatly admired by her mentors.

Andrea Wheatley of Multicultural Student Services has known Gregory-Lee for two years through Multicultural Student Services' Powerful Connection Program. She said she likes Gregory-Lee's hard work and determination the most.

"When we first met, Kristian stood out with her bubbly personality. She was involved in every aspect of the program and encouraged others to participate as well. Kristian has also mentored several students through our mentoring programs. I see Kristian accomplishing all of the goals that she would set out to do. Kristian has that determination, personality and initiative to succeed," Wheatley said.

Unleash Your Fitness Potential

Avoid Common Misconceptions — Part Two

By Eric Buratty
Life & Style Editor

Getting the most out of your workout involves realizing the truths about some common misconceptions. So do yourself a favor, and make sure you are up to par on your health and fitness practices.

The "exercise of the week" is the missing ingredient to your workout.

Whether you saw the "exercise of the week" online or in a magazine, do not add it to your next workout simply because it looks cool or because you have never seen it before. Most of the time these are isolation exercises. There is nothing wrong with isolation exercises if you know what you are doing.

However, if you are part of the 60-70 percent of the population who does not know what they are doing, the missing ingredient to your workouts is concentration on the basic big lifts (squats, deadlifts, overhead press, pull-ups and rowing, bench press). These exercises and their variations give the best results to males and females, as they help build a strong physiological foundation more than isolation exercises.

The exercises you hate are a waste of time.

The exercises you hate are often the same ones your body has to work the most at. However, the more your body has to work, the more your body is forced to adapt and become better. At Maggs Gym, a simple survey revealed that males and females hate lower body exercises the most, especially Bulgarian split-squats (A) and lunges (B and C).



Eric Buratty photo
A



Eric Buratty photo
B



Eric Buratty photo
C

These two exercises train the larger muscles in the body and have larger ranges of motion, so it makes sense that you hate doing more work. Your body naturally does not want to do work and become stronger. Unless you are content with this, force your body to become better by making it a priority to include one exercise you hate into every workout.

Females will get big if they perform similar exercises as males.

If this were true, there would be a lot more females walking around like Arnold Schwarzenegger back in his better days. Females also have about 10 times less testosterone than males do, which makes it pretty hard to become the Incredible Hulk. However, females can receive similar benefits as males in terms of better self-esteem, bone density, performance of daily activities, and they can also become leaner. The only difference between males and females is the rep range for exercises. For example, a female would perform seven to eight reps for an exercise that a male would perform four reps for.

In sum, I am not perfect, and I certainly do not know it all. But I can guarantee you that your future workouts will be better if you do not ignore the aforementioned misconceptions. Concentrate on bigger lifts. Perform one exercise you hate every workout. Use your core for performing power movements. Realize what results you will receive with different rep ranges and exercises. Finally, females can and should perform similar exercises as males to unleash their full fitness potential.

Your routine is getting you closer to your goals.

Hopefully you have a purpose in performing the exercises and workout you do. If not, you are wasting your time and energy. Selecting and executing the correct rep ranges and exercises are very important in helping you reach your goals. Realize that lower reps (three to eight reps) yield strength gains without the associated "pump" or "burn" that females typically hate. Higher reps (eight to more than 16) yield strength endurance and hypertrophy (increased muscle

What's Cooking?

Spring Pasta Salad with Arugula

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

In the weeks leading up to a bounty of late spring fruit and vegetables like radishes, carrots, spring onions and strawberries, green shoots in abundance start to pop up in fields and local farmers' markets. Early spring offerings like garlic scapes and a variety of small greens are standard for this time of year. (Not to mention fresh eggs). Fresh greens lend bright flavors and texture to pastas, salads and sandwiches.

Arugula ranks in my top five foods that are green in color, and it — along with other lettuce and greens — will soon be available at the organic farmers market on Tuesdays. Baby arugula — along with a slew of other "baby" greens — is becoming trendy in organic food markets and amongst foodie know-it-all types. It's possible though, these folks, like long-time arugula aristocrats, simply enjoy the tender, nutty, slightly sweet and bitter flavor.

I picked up a pound of local organic arugula from a Whole Foods Market in Baltimore this past weekend,

and — although the six bucks a pound price tag was tough — making good use out of it shouldn't be. Already I've used it to top pizza and in a savory fruit salad with balsamic vinegar and strawberries.

Arugula makes an appearance this week in a spring pasta salad. Too often pasta salad doesn't make it past blah. No more, though, to boring noodle concoctions drowned in store-bought

'Italian' dressing. Whole wheat penne pasta and chopped raw almonds give this salad texture, the balsamic and onion reduction a bit of sweetness, while the garlic and arugula add a bright note. I chose to add feta — although a hard aged cheese like pecorino-romano would do.

I like this pasta salad because it can be eaten warm or cold, and doesn't require too much effort to prepare.



Michael Piorunski photo

Ingredients:

8 – 12 ounces whole wheat penne, cooked and drained (reserve 1 – 2 ounces of cooking water)
1 1/3 cup raw almonds, chopped (some large chunks are OK)
1 – 1 1/2 cups organic arugula
1 small yellow or red onion, diced or thinly sliced
2 – 3 cloves garlic, roughly chopped
1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
1 ounce white wine
2 – 3 ounces feta, crumbled
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Pinch of crushed red pepper flakes
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
Salt and pepper to taste

Method:

In a six quart soup pot, bring four quarts of water to boil, adding a generous pinch of salt to the water. Add the penne pasta, and cook according to package directions to al dente — or until the pasta is not too firm but not too soft. Drain the pasta — reserving a few ounces of the cooking liquid — and rinse under cold water to stop the cooking

process. Place in a mixing bowl and reserve on the side.

While the pasta is cooking heat 2 tablespoons of the olive oil and the garlic over medium — high heat in a small sauté pan. When the garlic starts to sizzle and become fragrant add the onion and a pinch of salt and black pepper. Sauté for about 4 minutes or until the onions are tender and translucent.

Next add the white wine and balsamic vinegar to the pan, lower the heat to medium and allow the liquid to reduce five minutes. Just before you remove the pan from the heat, add the chopped almonds.

Add the arugula to pasta, and — while warm — add the balsamic vinegar, onion, garlic reduction to the pasta and mix (the heat from the vinegar reduction will slightly wilt the arugula — a good thing). Add the spices, lemon juice, feta and olive oil and continue to combine.

Serve warm or cold — it actually gets better after sitting in the refrigerator overnight.

Grad Student Spotlight

SU alum Sheree Tate now grad student, resident director

By Theresa Fichter
Staff Writer

A former RA at SU, graduate student Sheree Tate is now the resident director of Wicomico Hall. The SU alum graduated with a degree in communications and marketing and is now working on her master's in post-secondary education. Originally from Brandywine, Md., she is also a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

"You can do anything with communications," Tate said. "I love business but it's a little cut-throat. I realized I was concerned about people so I

wanted to make it a little more personal."

Tate describes her ideal job as one that offers interpersonal inspiration and mutual relationships.

"My ideal job would be one that allows me to be a public or motivational speaker and travels for the company that I work for. I would love to have a job where all I had to do is talk to people," Tate said.

During undergrad, Tate was part of various groups, including the Salisbury Gospel Choir, the Salisbury Liturgical Dance Ensemble, Lambda Pi Eta, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Omicron Delta Kappa and, off

campus, Friday Night Fire.

Now, as an RD, Tate remains actively involved in the SU community. "As an undergrad I was involved in a lot more, but now that I am a graduate student I've had to cut a lot out," Tate said. "Right now I mainly do work-related and volunteer activities."

Tate also leads the Sexual Assault Awareness Team for the Housing Department and has her own Bible study here on campus. Since the age of 14, Tate has been a part of Largo, Md.-based nonprofit Raise the Curtain, Inc., that benefits inner-city youth.

During breaks, she works as a clerk for the liaison and accountant branch

for the Department of Treasury and William C. Smith and Company, both based in Washington, D.C.

Mark Dalessandro, the area director for Nanticoke, Wicomico and Pocomoke Halls, has had the pleasure of supervising Tate this year. Dalessandro describes Tate as a "hard working, reliable, and an energetic person."

"When given a task, she gets it done in an appropriate time frame and to the highest quality. She is very professional and is respected by students and staff in the Housing and Residence Life Dept," Dalessandro said. Tate will be graduating in May 2011. "I'm excited to walk with a purpose," Tate said. "I can't wait to utilize my education and experience to make an impact on my world. I'm also getting married!"

She is engaged to Leroy Satchell of the admissions department and they



Adrienne Price photo
Sheree Tate

have a July wedding planned. Tate plans to work with Housing while she continues her Master's, and then she will start pursuing her Doctorate, most likely at Towson.

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Anderton's photography showcased in exhibit

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SALISBURY, MD — To some, children's toys and home décor items might be everyday objects found around the house. To photographer Jeanne Anderton, they're building blocks for art.

Anderton juxtaposes household items with 15th century religious and political icons found in Italian Renaissance paintings and sculpture to create the pieces in the exhibit "The Science of Perspective," hanging at the Atrium Gallery in Salisbury University's Guerrieri University Center May 3-26. An opening reception is 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 7.

"The viewer is invited to explore the images in a modern context while questioning the meaning of the photographs and that of familiar Renaissance art," Anderton said. Works in the exhibit are digital images printed on canvas.

The artist earned her M.F.A. in art photographic process from Syracuse University. The owner of CJZ Photography in Salisbury, she has taught at SU since 1998. For more than two decades, her images have earned prestigious awards. In 1987, she received a Golden Light Award as one of the top 10 photographers of the Maine Photographic Workshops. In 2009, she earned a Maryland State Individual Artist Award.

Her work has been featured in several books including "Exploring Color Photography" by Robert Hirsch and "The I Want to Eggscape Book" by Mitzi Perdue. Her work is included in collections at the Center for American Studies at the University of Iasi, Romania, and the University of Delaware.

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Students immerse themselves in Chinese culture

Submitted by Isabel Realo

China was just a bus ride away for a lucky group who went on the Chinese Cultural Immersion Day trip on March 27.

Sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs, World Artists Experiences and the Embassy of the People's Republic of China, the day featured a quick Chinese lesson and video on route to Washington D.C., accompanied by an authentic Chinese breakfast before arriving at the Chinese Embassy. The unique em-

bassy was designed by renowned Chinese architect I.M. Pei, and held many rare works of art. Minister Counselor Li Dongwen the First Secretary Zhang Tibin hosted the group and ended the tour with an in depth lecture on the Chinese culture.

After a quick stop in the National Zoo to see the pandas, the immersion tour moved on to a historic perspective of art in the region.

The Sackler Gallery of Art's China and Tibetan Exhibition features works ranging from the Neolithic period to modern day alongside the

extraordinary Tibetan Buddhist shrine room and the works of the Great Situ Panchen. After a quick lunch, the group made its way to the National Geographic Museum to view the Terra Cotta Warriors exhibit. The Terra Cotta warriors date from 210 BC, and were discovered in 1974 by some local farmers. There are over 8,000 Terra Cotta figures that were discovered, and many more to be found. These findings included warriors, chariots, horses, acrobats, officials, strongmen, musicians, and an array of animals.

A special screening of "The Real Dragon Emperor" documentary was held just for the Immersion tour.

Souvenirs and memories of this unforgettable exhibit carried the Immersion tour on to Charlie Chiang's for an authentic meal featuring dishes from every region in China, demonstrating the cuisine is as varied as the customs and dialects in this vast country.

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Guerrero shines under Friday Night Lights

By Theran Dennis
Staff Writer

Spectators from all over Salisbury filled the stands in the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center Friday night to watch hometown boxing sensation Fernando "El" Guerrero knock out Michael Walker in two rounds, and keep his undefeated streak alive.

The 10-round, middleweight bout was a showcase of Fernando's (18-0, 15 KO) mercurial blend of power in the ring and overwhelming charm and charisma outside of it.

The fight was aired primetime by the Showtime network, and Fernando knew how important people watching this fight was not only to him, but also to the town he represents.

"When I fight, I fight representing Salisbury," he said. "I want people to know who Salisbury is."

The crowd went wild as Fernando walked out to The Who's "Who Are You." He approached the ring to a standing ovation, donned in his trademark red and blue trunks. When he finally got in the ring, he waved the flags of Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and the USA, and watched as his

hometown crowd reacted to his every move.

Walker (19-4-2, 12 KO), who had entered to a crowd of "boo's" prior, was already in the ring, anxious to test his might against the hometown hero.

"I thought it was interesting to see [Walker] come out," said Daniel Anderson, an SU student attended the event. "The crowd boomed him hard."

However, once the bell rang Walker went on the attack, showing the crowd that he wasn't fazed by their jeers. Fernando, meanwhile, waited patiently to find a glitch in his fighter's technique. Towards the end of the first round, Fernando gained the upper hand and went on the attack, while Walker, out of steam, barely held on, trying to recover from Fernando's flurry of hooks and jabs.

"He never had to worry about when he was going to run out of gas," said Guerrero's trainer, Hal Chernoff. "If the opening was there for a 20-punch combination, he was going to throw a 20-punch combination."

At the start of the second round, Fernando began where he left off and continued to punish Walker with his



Fernando "El" Guerrero goes up against Michael Walker during April 16's fight. Guerrero stays undefeated after knocking out Walker.

endless fury of right and left hooks to the ribs, and uppercuts to the chin. Finally, after Fernando pinned Walker to the corner and up against the ropes waiting away, the ringside doctor called off the match just 1:49 into the second round. After the bell sounded, the crowd went wild, to whom Fernando had dedicated his flawless performance.

"He did good," said Kevin Corbin, long-time friend of Fernando. "I've seen him so many times; I know how hard he trains. I'm proud of him."

Corbin was one of many of Fer-

nando's friends and family members who were spread throughout the crowd watching on as Fernando continues his quest to becoming a world-class fighter. And if you ask Chernoff, Fernando is well on his way to doing just that.

"There are certain things that indicate a fighter on his mark," said Chernoff. "Fernando meets those requirements. He's on his mark in every way. I think that now people understand that he isn't just a local kid that does well on a local level, he's a world class fighter."

Baseball puts up tough fight in CAC tournament



Sophomore catcher Matt Skrenchuk swings at a pitch from a St. Mary's pitcher during the Sea Gulls' CAC tournament-opening 17-4 triumph.

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

Last week, the Salisbury University baseball team (24-8, 14-4 CAC) found themselves in the Capital Ath-

letic Conference tournament at the SU baseball field.

SU opened the tournament with a 17-4 triumph over St. Mary's. The Seahawks put the first runs on the scoreboard until junior Andy Miller

smashed a solo home run tying the game. The Gulls were racking up runs when senior Mike Celenza cracked a three-run homerun over the center field fence. In the third and fourth, the Gulls added two runs, taking the lead 8-2.

The Gulls burst forth in the sixth scoring nine runs. Senior Chad Wolfe stroked a double into left-center field pushing two runs across the plate. Junior Dustin Herbert pitched four strong innings, striking out six and giving up three runs, two earned before junior Drew Baldwin grabbed his fourth win, pitching two innings with one strikeout.

"My pitching wasn't where it should've been, but our bats picked us up and that kept us in it," said Herbert.

On Thursday, the Gulls encountered Wesley College in the second round, falling 7-5.

"We didn't play very well. We didn't hit, and when you get in tournaments you have to have dominant pitching, play great defense, and do situation hitting. We didn't do any of the three to be honest," said head coach Doug Fleetwood.

Junior Kyle Judson pitched six innings, striking out ten before he was relieved by junior Mark Peterson.

"You never want to lose in the tournament, especially a double elimination tournament," said Judson.

Junior Brad Baylis' sacrifice fly got the first run and his solo home run gave them their second. With one hit, one walk and three hit batters, they tied the game, but Wesley's three runs in the ninth put them ahead.

On Saturday during double elimination, the Gulls faced Stevenson University and the University of Mary Washington. SU defeated Stevenson 8-5, but lost 18-13 to Mary Washington.

Senior Kyle Starr pitched a powerful seven innings, striking out four, while SU plated five runs in the first. Junior Devon Quaglieria was one of four to finish the game 2-for-5.

When SU took on Mary Washington, they came back in the fourth taking the lead 6-4 but the Eagles scored seven times in the seventh to seal their victory.

On Thursday, April 22, SU will travel to Christopher Newport to open a two-game season series.

Women's Rugby is tough enough

By Brian Joiner
Staff Writer

As the school year draws to an end, the Salisbury women's rugby team is hard at work striving for a strong finish and a good foundation to build on for next year.

Established as an official club sport at SU in 1993, the team has been up and running for just under 20 years. Compiled of about 25 girls, the team is pretty evenly split with the amount of upper and underclassmen.

"We're always encouraging and welcome any girls who are interested in trying to join the team," said junior Fallon Migliorini, one of the two team captains as well as the club's president.

The girls work hard, practicing three days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4-6 p.m. come rain or shine. You can find them training and working on their skills at the intramural fields during these times, always welcoming any interested newcomers.

"It's not a very well known of sport so we definitely take the time and teach it to new players," Migliorini said.

You couldn't tell from watching them, but most of the girls on the team had no idea how the sport was played or what the basics were when they first started.

Salisbury is located in the Division II Potomac Area Rugby Conference along with Georgetown, UMBC and American. Princeton, Towson, Penn State and Catholic are among other schools the girls have friendly matches against that don't count towards conference standings.

Even though they are playing games now, the games played in the fall semester are the ones that count for playoff contention. Even after finishing 2-1 in the PRU conference and being involved in a three-way tie for first place, SU would not advance to the playoffs based on a point system among the three teams.

The team still stood strong and plays with passion in their spring semester matches.

"People on the team are showing a lot more heart. We got a lot of new girls trying hard to learn the game and it is showing in our success," said Migliorini.

The team will play their alumni game this Saturday at 1 p.m. on the intramural fields.



Sophomore midfielder Sam Bradman watches fellow sophomore Matt Cannone work against two York College defenders. The Sea Gulls went on to win 19-4 on Tuesday night.

Top-ranked Men's Lax storms into conference tournament

By Pat Drengwitz
Staff Writer

Tuesday night was indeed a rainy one, but that didn't hinder the men's lacrosse team (16-0, 7-0 CAC) from landing 19 goals past the Spartans to defeat them 19-4 and keep the Sea Gulls atop the rankings.

Several players scored multiple goals and Salisbury's goalkeeper, junior Johnny Rodriguez, gave an exceptional effort in front of the net, making eight saves in 40 minutes of play.

The Spartans were first to strike, scoring in the first 30 seconds of the game. Salisbury was able to get the equalizer not long after followed by four more to end the first quarter up 5-1.

Senior Mike Von Kamecke landed a hat trick before the first half ended and he helped put the Sea Gulls up by 11 by halftime. Fellow senior Mike Winter was also one

of the top scorers for the Sea Gulls Tuesday night, scoring three goals and demoralizing an easily penetrable York defense who, to say the least, had their hands full with Salisbury's unyielding offense.

It was clear through the percentage of possession being in Salisbury's favor throughout the match that they were being very patient with their shots, passing well and with precision, and making timely substitutions to keep fresh legs on the field.

Looking at the scoreboard, there was no doubt Head Coach Jim Berkman prepared his team extremely well for this match.

When asked what he told his team before stepping out onto the field, Berkman said, "We needed to play hard, intelligent, and together for 60 minutes to beat a good York team."

Winter was equally impressed and excited with the

win, saying, in a post-match interview, "The team played great together last night. The defense helped each other whenever they had to, making them air-tight for half the game. The offense continued to make extra looks and move the ball. It's great to be a part of this team."

Tuesday's win was Salisbury's last home game of the season and clinched a first-round bye in the CAC tournament.

They completed their undefeated conference season two days later on Thursday with another decisive win at Marymount University, 22-7, in which Rodriguez scored his first career goal after sending the ball the length of the field and into the net to close out the first quarter.

The win boosted the Gulls' confidence even more for the CAC Tournament, which begins for SU on Wednesday against Mary Washington.

Editor's Corner

Maryland and Johns Hopkins' day of rivals

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

Once upon a time, sport was created. With sport came competition and soon thereafter the advent of the rivalry.

Few things in life, particularly in the world of sports, evoke such ferocity, vigor, and emotion than an athletic rivalry. Church-going mothers burn opposing team's jerseys like terrorists burn American flags. Fathers yell obscenities at football tailgates while carrying young sons on their shoulders. In Scotland, young boys are taught a separate stadium language, where one can witness a 5-year-old child at a soccer match standing on a bleacher spitting words and phrases at the players so vulgar the grown men cringe.

The Red Sox and the Yankees. North Carolina and Duke. Ravens versus Steelers. Michigan, Ohio State. Army vs. Navy. And for anyone who grew up in the Baltimore-metro area, Maryland and Johns Hopkins.

Every April for the last 96 years, the men's lacrosse Terrapins and Blue Jays battle for local bragging rights in a contest that usually results in a trip to the NCAA tournament.

What makes this rivalry so special is not the fact that both teams are almost always in contention, or the fact that Hopkins (currently No. 16) and Maryland (currently No. 4) have combined for 11 national titles and 16 national runners-up since 1971. It's the respect

that these teams show for each other and the class with which the rivalry is played each year.

Every player on that grass, whether Byrd Stadium or Homewood Field, knows the magic of playing in the game. This is the old-school rivalry. This is what rivalry was meant to be, not what it has become.

I'll admit I've uttered my share of choice words towards Steelers fans and maybe Jon Scheyer or J.J. Reddick, but I also had the privilege of being a ball boy at this game when I was a young kid.

There are packed food stands set up at each of the field's ends. There are play areas filled with laughing children. Adults and fans alike sit in the bleachers and cheer for an exciting game, acknowledging good plays by the opposing team. Half the patrons walk around, socialize, and play with their children, watching the game in spurts. It's more than just the game, it's an event.

As a ball boy, while we stood behind the goals fiddling with our sticks and playing games of one-on-one, even the players joked with us and started small conversation during their warm-ups.

Lacrosse may not be as nationally renowned as other sports and Johns Hopkins may be known more for its medicine than how many times they've beaten Maryland (JHU leads the series 58-38-1), but for those who watched Maryland edge out Hopkins on Saturday, they know how special it truly is.

Erin Corcoran photo

NBA regular season done, playoffs have begun

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

This is the time of year that basketball fans have been waiting for. The NBA regular season has come to an end, and playoffs are in full effect.

The Cleveland Cavaliers dominated the Eastern Conference all season long, taking the regular season crown with an NBA-best record of 61-21. The Cavs upgraded the

"big man" positions in the last year, adding Shaquille O'Neal and Antawn Jamison to their lineup in an effort to give LeBron James some help in the postseason.

In the Western Conference, the defending champion Los Angeles Lakers are the number one team in the West for the third straight year with a regular season record of 57-25. The Lakers added tough defender Ron Artest in an effort to grow stronger on defense and to fill

the hole that was empty when Trevor Ariza left.

In the East the top teams on the heels of Cleveland have been Orlando, Atlanta, Boston and Miami. For the last seven years there has been a different team from the East to make it to the finals, so as history serves, the East is up for grabs, and any one of the teams can make a push through to the playoffs.

The West has been similar as the race to the playoffs was tight as the

second through eighth seeds were only separated by a couple games. The playoff matchups are set and some top seeded teams are on upset alert.

Boston and Miami will battle in the first round. Miami stormed into the playoffs as one of the league's hottest teams, winning 12 of their last 13 regular season games. Boston has a history of struggling in the first round the last two years to teams that they should beat easily.

In the West, Dallas and San Antonio is always a good matchup, especially this year as the Mavericks made a late season run to steal the second seed and the Spurs dropped some games at the end of the season to sink to the seventh spot.

Dirk Nowitzki vs. Tim Duncan, Caron Butler vs. Manu Ginobili and Jason Kidd vs. Tony Parker will be just some of the exciting matchups in the coming weeks.



Salisbury's Track & Field team jumped past the competition during Saturday's CAC Championship meet. Twenty-three first place finishes were earned on the day and a host of conference records fell as the men won their seventh-straight, 12th overall, and the women their first-ever CAC title.

Track & Field team shatters records at CACs

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

Both the men's and women's track and field teams took home the Capital Athletic Conference championship trophy on Saturday as the men captured their seventh straight (and 12th overall) championship while the women brought home the program's first-ever CAC title.

Salisbury accounted for 23 first-place finishes, 11 for the women and 12 for the men, with women earning 265 points (Mary Washington finished with 184 in second place) and the men earning 260 points (UMW finished second with 148).

Sophomores Amanda Zyzak and Lauren Foreman spent the day dueling each other. Zyzak took first in the 200-meter dash in 26.65 seconds, just ahead of Foreman, but Foreman beat Zyzak in the 400-meter dash to take home her own first place

victory. Junior Kristin Stromberg took first in the 5,000-meter run and fellow junior Masha Berge shattered her own CAC meet record in the 10,000-meter run by over 35 seconds.

Sophomore Becca Stinner crushed the competition in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, earning first by over 24 seconds. Lindsay Metzler took first in the long jump and, along with freshmen Amy Taylor, Claire Lawrence, and Zyzak took first in the 4x100-meter relay. The women also swept the podium in both the discus and the hammer throw as Janay Johnson broke the CAC meet record in the discus with a throw of 125' 8".

On the men's side, senior De-lanice Spriggs took first in both the 100 and 200-meter dashes. Senior Cory Beebe took four top finishes on the day in the 400-meter dash, 100-meter hurdles, 400-meter hurdles, and 4x100-meter relay, beating his own CAC

meet record in the 110-meter hurdles and beating a record in the 400-meter hurdles that had stood since 2002. Fellow senior Brandon Fugett took three first-place finishes in the discus, shotput, and hammer throw, beating his own CAC meet record with a throw of 53' 8.25".

Junior Brandon Lane took home first in the high jump with a jump of 6' 4" and sophomore Trent Seawell broke the CAC meet record in the 10,000-meter run by nearly 20 seconds. Junior Chris Barnard also took first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

Freshman Chelsea Tavik, who set a CAC meet record in the shotput, along with Spriggs, Beebe, and Fugett, qualified provisionally for the NCAA Track & Field Championships.

By the end of the day the Sea Gulls had earned 23 All-CAC first team honors and 16 second team honors between the men and women.

Athlete Spotlight

Jillian Poppe

By Brian Willhide
Staff Writer

Freshman tennis player Jillian Poppe is this week's featured athlete. The Califon, N.J. native is part of a women's tennis squad that is 11-2 overall and 5-1 in the CAC this season. Individually, Poppe is 11-2 in singles and, alongside partner Jackie Burr, is 11-2 in doubles action as well.

Poppe recently sat down with The Flyer to answer a few questions.

What do you do to relax and let loose outside of the tennis court? I really like playing sports, so a lot of the time you will find me outside playing football, volleyball, softball or other sports with my friends.

What are some of your top songs right now on your iPod playlist? "Young Forever" by Jay Z is definitely one of my favorite songs right now; also "Pursuit of Happiness" by Kid Cudi, and "Nothing on You" by BOB.

You're originally from Califon, N.J. What made you choose SU? I did a ton of college searching, and the top two things I was looking for was a school that had nursing and a school where I could play tennis. A few people back at home told me to look at Salisbury, and when I came down for my visit, I really



Athletics photo
Jillian Poppe

loved it. I also talked to the coach, Randy, and he really influenced my decision to come here because he was dedicated and a great coach.

Who is your favorite professional tennis star and why? Probably Roger Federer because he is such a humble, dedicated, hardworking player. He comes out on the court, plays his hardest, and is not cocky when he wins or a jerk when he is having an off day. I really admire him.

If you had to name your biggest strength and biggest weakness on the court, what would they be? My biggest strength is by far my forehand. It is clearly my biggest weapon, and I do everything I can to hit one. My biggest weakness is probably my backhand, as I try to run around every backhand so I can hit a forehand.

With three more years of tennis ahead of you, what are your career goals here at Salisbury? My number one career goal by far is to beat Mary Washington. They are our biggest rival and I would do anything to beat them. Another one of my career goals is to win our conference and go to nationals, which means beating Mary Washington.

Softball wins 14th straight CAC crown

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University's women's softball team clinched the Capital Athletic Conference with four consecutive wins. SU hosted all games of the tournament against Wesley, Hood and two games against York College.

The Sea Gulls opened the tournament against Wesley College in the No. 12 slot on Tuesday. Junior pitcher Kelly Leary finished the game with her sixth complete-game shutout of the season and struck out seven opponents. The first inning was scoreless, but the team set the pace for the 11-0 win scoring four runs in the second inning.

Salisbury moved up two spots in the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Division III Top 25 Poll to No. 10 before Thursday's game against Hood College. The CAC second round proved to be victorious for the Sea Gulls with an 8-1 win. Sophomore Erika Brittingham took the mound at the top of the fifth and held the

Blazers at bay and freshman Michelle Gravidahl hit her second home run of the season. Kathy Khanna, resident of Hebron, Maryland, and her nine-year-old daughter Lexie frequent the softball games every year and were in attendance Thursday afternoon at the game against Hood.

"The Sea Gulls are my team," Lexie said. "I would like to play for [head] coach [Margie] Knight some day."

Salisbury continued its undefeated tournament against York College on Saturday here at SU. The Sea Gulls won 5-0, not allowing the Spartans to get on the scoreboard. Senior Brittany Lounge scored in the bottom of the first with the help of Ali Ritter's hit. Leary earned her 15th win as she allowed only three hits, walked one, and struck out eight Spartan batters.

"We play as a team, always," said junior Taylor Webb. Coach Knight believes this is one of the reasons for the successful season.

"They genuinely like each other," she said. The team went into the CAC championship game against York College on Sun-



Senior shortstop Kelly Waskewicz swings at a pitch during this past week's CAC tournament. Salisbury ran through the competition before defeating York College 5-2 Sunday.

day undefeated. They won 5-2, capturing their 14th consecutive CAC title. Salisbury took the lead in the third inning, breaking the scoreless tie. Lounge and Ritter drove in runs to help clinch the win.

The Sea Gulls (29-2) will close out their

regular season with doubleheaders against Gettysburg College on April 21 and Catholic University on April 28, hosting both games. The team will wait to hear where they will be placed for the opening round of the NCAA tournament.

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday-4/13	Wednesday-4/14	Thursday-4/15	Friday-4/16	Saturday-4/17	Sunday-4/18	Monday-4/19
TBA Men's Tennis vs. York (Pa.) @ CAC Tournament - Second Round 7 p.m. Women's Lacrosse vs. Stevenson @ CAC Tournament - Semifinals	3:30 p.m. Softball vs. Gettysburg 4 p.m. Men's Lacrosse vs. Mary Washington @ CAC Tournament - Semifinals 5:30 p.m. Softball vs. Gettysburg	TBA Track & Field vs. Penn Relays @ Philadelphia, Pa. @ UPenn TBD Women's Tennis vs. @ CAC Tournament - Final 3 p.m. Baseball @ Christopher Newport	TBA Track & Field vs. Penn Relays @ Philadelphia, Pa. @ UPenn TBD Men's Lacrosse vs. @ CAC Tournament - Final 3 p.m. Baseball vs. Christopher Newport	TBD Women's Lacrosse vs. @ CAC Tournament - Finals @ Salisbury, Md. TBA Track & Field vs. Penn Relays @ Philadelphia, Pa. @ UPenn TBD Men's Lacrosse @ CAC Tournament - Finals @ Salisbury, Maryland Noon Baseball vs. N.C. Wesleyan 2:30 p.m. Baseball vs. N.C. Wesleyan		

Salisbury Athletics Poll

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Which is the most impressive two-sport athlete?

- Liz Tollett (Field Hockey and Track): 13%
 Matt McMurdo (Football and Track): 22%
 Tara McGovern (Field Hockey and Lacrosse): 41%
 Janay Johnson (Basketball and Track): 8%
 Amanda Zyzak (Track and Soccer): 13%

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Men's and Women's Tennis

The men's and women's tennis teams beat Wesley College Thursday afternoon rather handily with each team winning 9-0.

The men had no trouble in doubles action, winning all three matches each by a score of 8-0. Seniors Scott Burtzloff and Evan Thomas, the top-ranked doubles duo in the Atlantic South Region, improved to 14-5 on the season.

Kyle Schneck and Arthur Jackson and the team of Henry Stuhler and Evan Clifton all won two matches on the day.

Stuhler took the No. 1 singles match 6-3, 6-1, while Jackson won the No. 3 singles match to improve to 5-0 on the season, the only Sea Gull with at least five victories and no losses.

The women dropped just six games in their three doubles

matches, improving to 35-7 in doubles play on the season. Victoria Handlin and Rachel Lupinetti each improved to 6-0 in singles play on the season, picking up one win apiece. Along with Amy Worthington, Handlin and Lupinetti also each picked up their first doubles win of the season.

The Gulls enter the CAC tournament this week each as the No. 2 seed.

Women's Lacrosse

The No. 2 women's lacrosse team had a come-from-behind victory on Wednesday at conference-rival Mary Washington 18-12.

The Gulls (15-1, 7-0 CAC) took a two goal lead in just the first four minutes of play, but UMW (10-4, 6-1 CAC) soon tied it at two before Salisbury pushed the lead again, this time to 4-2 with goals from sopho-

more Carrie Bray, juniors Aileen McCausland and Logan Bilderback, and senior Beth Rhodey.

The Eagles were not done yet, however, going on a 7-1 run to end the half, including a last second goal, going into the locker room up 9-5.

Salisbury turned things around though, coming out blazing in the second half to score the first six goals to take an 11-9 lead on three goals from McCausland and two from Rhodey. Mary Washington scored to come within a goal, but Salisbury would go on a five-goal spurt to close out the game and take the top seed in this week's CAC tournament.

McCausland and Rhodey each ended with five points, while seniors Kim Cudmore and Jessica Chmielewski had four points and Bilderback recorded a hat trick.

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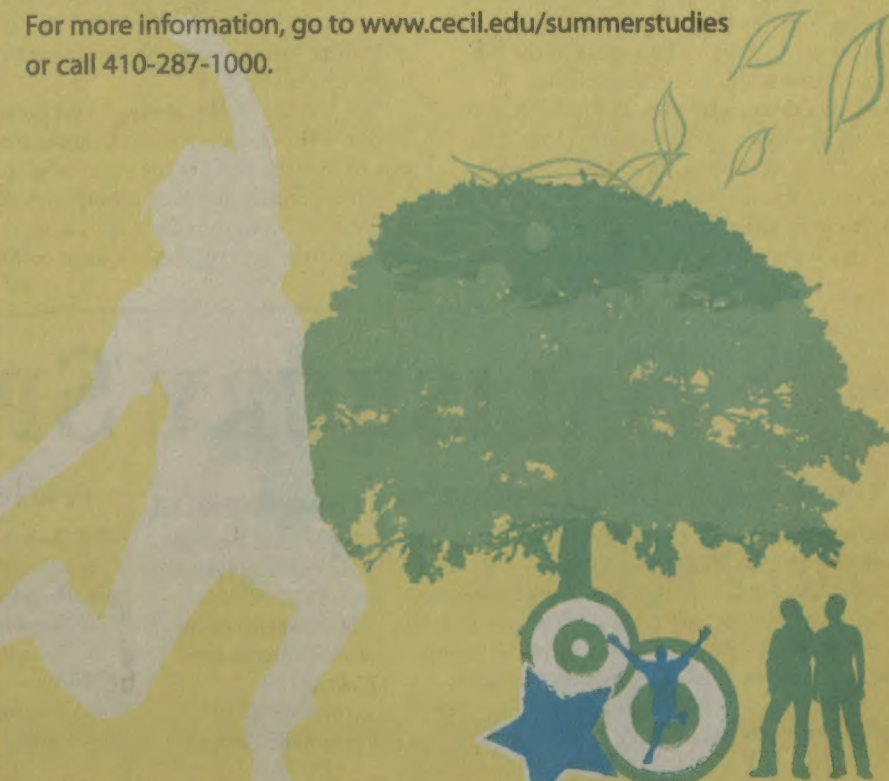
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